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PROVINCIAL PARKS STATISTICS 1987

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COVER ILLUSTRATION:

PIPING PLOVER
Charadrius melodus

Symbol for Park Interpretation Week 1987

The piping plover was chosen as the Park Interpretation Week symbol because its status in Newfoundland, and throughout North America, is threatened, which means it is likely to become endangered if trends continue.

Observations during the past 25 years indicate that there has been a great reduction in the population of these birds across Canada and that the species has practically disappeared from certain parts of Ontario and Quebec. In Newfoundland there are now only about five known pairs.

The piping plover is protected under federal law. Hunting of this species, or collecting their nests or eggs is illegal and offenders can face up to six months in jail. Unfortunately, this type of protection is not enough to save these little shorebirds.

Habitat disturbance is a definite contributing factor to the decline of the piping plover. Sandy beaches are prized for sunbathing, swimming and beachcombing. Although the birds are well camouflaged with their sun-bleached sand-coloured backs, any disturbance during the nesting period, from about mid-May to mid-July, threatens the success of the plovers. People and their pets often trample eggs and young by mistake. Adult birds may be scared from their nests. If eggs are left alone too long they will cool and never hatch. The breeding season is a critical time in the plover's life cycle. In order for the species to thrive, the young must survive.

Please remember the piping plover while you roam our beaches and please avoid disturbing these birds, their nests and their young. Without conscientious preservation efforts, this species will no longer be a part of the fauna of Newfoundland or even the world. Did you know that according to the World Wildlife Fund, one species of plant or animal joins the extinction list everyday?

TEXT: Karen Spencer
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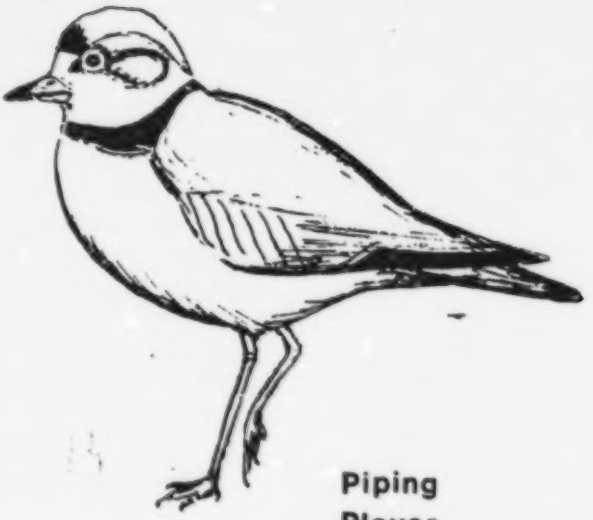
PARK INTERPRETATION WEEK

July 16-20, 1987



Piping Plover

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FOREWARD

This report is a statistical summary of the recorded use of Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Parks for the summer operating season of 1987. It is based on the actual number of days the parks were open for that season.

The operating season varies throughout the park system. The first seven parks opened May 14: La Manche, Butter Pot, Gushue's Pond, Square Pond, Notre Dame, Beothuck and Catamaran. Another ten opened the following weekend May 15: Fitzgerald's Pond, Backside Pond, Northern Bay Sands, Bellevue Beach, Jack's Pond, Frenchman's Cove, Duley Lake, Barachois Pond, Grand Codroy and Cochrane Pond. On June 5, four more opened: Squires Memorial, Pinware River, Crabbe's River and Sandbanks's. Between June 12-19 all remaining parks were opened. Services were reduced after the Labour Day Weekend, September 8, when all but 13 parks closed for the season. Camping parks which have, in recent years, experienced high visitor use were kept open until September 21. These thirteen include: Butter Pot, Gushue's Pond, Fitzgerald's Pond, Jack's Pond, Square Pond, Notre Dame, Beothuck, Indian River, River of Ponds, Duley Lake, Barachois Pond, J.T. Cheeseman and Sandbanks. Fees were not collected for these beyond the September 6 weekend.

Park visitation statistics were collected for the staffed parks only. Hence, none were recorded on a regular basis for the nineteen Natural Scenic Attraction Parks nor for the thirteen Day-Use Parks. Also, no visitation statistics were collected for five parks offering organized winter recreation programs, in the form of cross-country skiing and winter camping. The park visitation statistics are, therefore, considered to be lower than the actual participation by park users.

The two new programs, Camper Storage and Seasonal Camping, instituted in 1986, continued and were added to in 1987. The programs were expanded in two ways. Firstly, a new option was available for campers to purchase a weekly camping permit, for seven consecutive nights for $35.00. The second expansion covered the number of participating parks in the programs. In 1986, only selected parks offered such programs. In 1987, all unserviced parks offered seasonal camping permits, and weekly camping permits and 32 parks offered a camper storage program. The aim of these programs have been to offer a more convenient and enjoyable camping service to the public and has met with favourable response.

During 1986, the winter recreation program continued in five parks and was a tremendous success. Winter camping was available at Gushue's Pond and Square Pond, for a fee of $25.00 for the season. At Jonathan's Pond, Stag Lake and Butter Pot, a cross-country ski program was available with defined and groomed trails.

As indicated in the summary and comparison of Table 16, Provincial Park statistics increased in 1987. Visitor use increased by 12%; the majority of the increase consisted of non-resident visitors. Camping increased by 31% over the previous year, with a 43% increase in Senior Citizen camping.

If further information is required with respect to the statistics herein, please contact the Planning and Development Section of Parks Division at P.O. Box 4750, St. John's, NF A1C 5T7.

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Director

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PROVINCIAL PARKS

There are 76 Camping, Day Use and Natural-Scenic Attraction parks in the province which provide the public with a variety of opportunities for outdoor recreation.

CAMPING PARKS

Of the 42 Camping parks, most contain multipurpose campsites although some of the older parks contain sites suitable only for tents. Most camping parks contain facilities for picnicking, swimming, boating and angling as well as interpretive displays and/or programs. One Provincial Camping Park, Grand Codroy, has fully serviced sites including water, electricity and sewage per site. It also has flush toilets and showers.

DAY USE PARKS

There are 15 Day Use parks which provide opportunities for swimming, picnicking, hiking, boating and/or angling.

Camping is not permitted in Day Use parks.

NATURAL-SCENIC ATTRACTION PARKS

There are 19 Natural-Scenic Attraction Parks in the province. All Natural-Scenic Attractions provide opportunities for viewing spectacular coastal or terrestrial scenery.

Camping is not permitted at Natural-Scenic Attraction Parks.

Figure 1 presents Provincial Parks by Administration Region in 1987.

FIGURE 1 - PROVINCIAL PARKS 1987

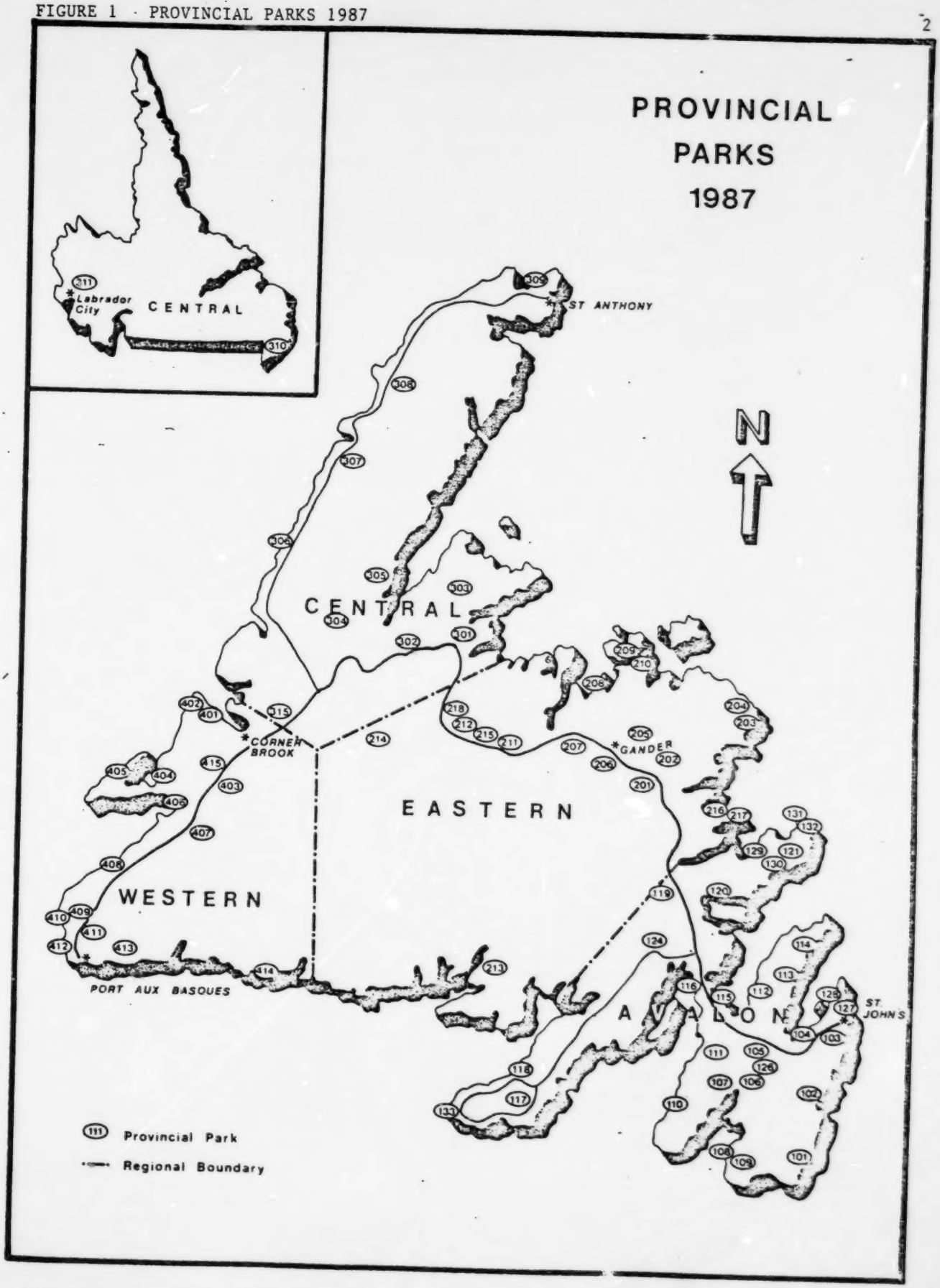

TABLE 1

CAMPING PARKS 1987

MAP REF	PARKS	YEAR OPENED TO PUBLIC	AREA (HECTARES)	CAMPSITES	PICNIC SITES
101	CHANCE COVE	1974	2,068	25	25
102	LA MANCHE	1966	1,394	70	35
104	BUTTER POT	1964	1,752	149	54
105	GUSHUES POND	1961	179	112	40
109	HOLYROOD POND	1973	226	15	45
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	1972	813	24	23
112	BACKSIDE POND	1972	562	51	25
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	1966	14	42	35
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	1959	145	77	50
116	JACK'S POND	1959	601	74	50
117	FRESHWATER POND	1973	892	30	35
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	1967	51	81	35
121	LOCKSTON PATH	1966	773	20	29
124	PIPERS HOLE RIVER	1976	497	30	25
	AVALON TOTAL		9,967	800	506
201	SQUARE POND	1960	39	93	25
202	DAVID SMALLWOOD	1966	51	27	25
203	WINDMILL BIGHT	1966	365	29	25
205	JONATHANS POND	1966	446	96	25
207	NOTRE DAME	1959	113	100	50
209	DILDO RUN	1967	327	31	25
211	BEOTHUCK	1968	74	63	65
213	JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	1976	882	21	54
214	MARY MARCH	1969	32	26	23
218	CATAMARAN	1960	42	57	25
	EASTERN TOTAL		2,371	543	342
301	INDIAN RIVER	1959	29	49	21
302	BAIE VERTE *	1961	14	-	0
303	FLATWATER POND	1968	123	25	21
304	SQUIRES MEMORIAL	1959	1,574	159	25
305	SOP'S ARM	1966	10	25	25
307	RIVER OF PONDS	1966	120	40	22
309	PISTOLET BAY	1974	897	27	26
310	PINWARE RIVER	1974	68	15	25
311	DULEY LAKE	1973	882	100	50
	CENTRAL TOTAL		3,717	440	215
401	BLOW ME DOWN	1972	226	27	26
403	BLUE PONDS	1961	125	61	25
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	1966	42	50	25
407	BARACHOIS POND.	1961	3,497	158	78
408	CRABBES RIVER	1959	3	32	15
409	GRAND CODROY	1966	32	50	15
411	MUMMICHOG	1971	84	38	30
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	1960	206	102	40
414	SANDBANKS	1973	232	8	30
	WESTERN TOTAL		4,447	526	284
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL		20,502	2,309	1,347

* Group Camping Only

TABLE 2 DAY USE PARKS 1987

Map Ref.	Parks	Year Opened To Public	Area (Hectares)	Picnic Sites
103	Cochrane Pond	1960	27	108
106	Father Duffy's Well	1959	9	15
119	Thorburn Lake	1972	35	-
120	Smith Sound	1972	18	10
126	Southwest Pond (Fishery Access Road)	1975	4	-
128	Marine Drive	1981	783	20
206	Glenwood	1962	92	22
210	Dog Bay Pond	1972	4	-
212	Aspen Brook	1960	40	25
215	Pearson's Peak	1966	-	-
308	Three Mile Lake	1972	14	-
315	Pasadena Beach	1972	5	25
406	Black Bank	1972	5	-
413	Otter Bay	1969	303	27
415	Stag Lake	1979	1,279	60
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL		2,617	312

TABLE 3 NATURAL - SCENIC ATTRACTION PARKS

Map Ref.	Natural - Scenic Attractions	Open To Public	Area (Hectares)
107	Cataracts	1959	172
108	Point La Haye	1972	19
110	Gooseberry Cove	1972	3
113	Salmon Cove Sands	1972	8
123	Topsail Beach	1975	33
127	Middle Cove	1972	3
129	Jiggin' Head	1979	4
130	Rattle Falls	1979	21
131	Dungeon	1980	2
132	Maberly	1980	1
133	French Islands	1982	2
204	Deadman's Bay	1972	72
208	Indian Cove Neck	1972	29
216	Northeast Arm	1979	3
217	Eastport North	1983	8
306	The Arches	1979	13
402	Bottle Cove	1972	27
404	Point au Mal	1972	32
410	Codroy Valley	1972	24
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL		476

TABLE 4 SUMMARY OF OPERATING UNITS

Operating Units	Number	Area (Hectares)
Camping Parks	42	20.502
Day Use	15	2.617
Natural - Scenic Attractions	19	476
PROVINCIAL TOTAL	76	23.595

TABLE 5

VISITORS BY ORIGIN

MAP REF	PARK NAME	TOTAL VISITORS	NFLD %	OTHER CAN %	U.S. & FOREIGN %
102	LA MANCHE	79,440	97	2	1
103	COCHRANE POND	17,480	99.9	0.1	0
104	BUTTER POT	84,919	96	3	1
105	GUSHUES POND	105,941	96	2	2
109	HOLYROOD POND	12,952	93	4	3
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	33,468	92	5	3
112	BACKSIDE POND	45,393	98	1	1
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	35,163	96	3	1
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	74,143	89	8	3
116	JACK'S POND	40,426	92	7	1
117	FRESHWATER POND	40,686	97.5	2.2	0.3
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	29,277	97	2	1
121	LOCKSTON PATH	8,474	92	6	2
128	MARINE DRIVE	27,961	99.1	0.7	0.2
	AVALON TOTAL	635,723	95	3	2
201	SQUARE POND	99,656	97	2	1
202	DAVID SMALLWOOD	19,283	96	3	1
203	WINDMILL BIGHT	45,374	95	4	1
205	JONATHANS POND	66,179	93	5	2
207	NOTRE DAME	78,808	95	4	1
209	DILDO RUN	17,223	77	16	7
211	BEOTHUCK	70,899	89	8	3
213	JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	10,072	94	4	2
214	MARY MARCH	15,716	86	9	5
218	CATAMARAN	98,690	68	20	12
	EASTERN TOTAL	521,900	88	8	4
301	INDIAN RIVER	13,735	70	19	11
303	FLATWATER POND	9,282	88	7	5
304	SQUIRES MEMORIAL	13,531	77	14	9
305	SOP'S ARM	13,101	90	6	4
307	RIVER OF PONDS	27,222	80	10	10
309	PISTOLET BAY	12,411	72	15	13
310	PINWARE RIVER	16,452	67	17	16
311	DULEY LAKE	10,993	97.2	2.5	0.3
315	PASADENA BEACH	11,123	79	12	9
	CENTRAL TOTAL	127,850	79	12	9
401	BLOW ME DOWN	29,783	66	19	15
403	BLUE PONDS	27,292	80	14	6
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	15,639	80	12	8
406	BLACK BANK	14,996	94	4	2
407	BARACHOIS POND	34,745	83	11	6
408	CRABBES RIVER	18,765	77	16	7
409	GRAND CODROY	63,391	68	20	12
411	MUMMICHOG	15,211	78	12	10
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	61,135	77	14	9
414	SANDBANKS	45,820	98.8	1.1	0.1
415	STAG LAKE	5,092	81	12	7
	WESTERN TOTAL	331,869	79	13	8
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL	1,617,342	88	8	4

TABLE 6

CAMPER NIGHTS BY ORIGIN

MAP REF	PARK NAME	NUMBER OF CAMPER NIGHTS	ORIGINS		
			NFLD %	OTHER CAN %	U.S. & FOREIGN %
102	LA MANCHE	6,704	87	7	6
104	BUTTER POT	42,308	96	3	1
105	GUSHUES POND	37,684	96	2	2
109	HOLYROOD POND	768	62	16	22
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	10,156	87	8	5
112	BACKSIDE POND	13,576	97	2	1
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	5,940	92	6	2
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	8,424	91	6	3
116	JACK'S POND	17,172	93	5	2
117	FRESHWATER POND	2,388	93	5	2
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	2,916	86	10	4
121	LOCKSTON PATH	4,532	89	7	4
	AVALON TOTAL	152,568	94	4	2
201	SQUARE POND	26,916	96	3	1
202	DAVID SMALLWOOD	2,520	87	8	5
203	WINDMILL BIGHT	8,040	94	4	2
205	JONATHANS POND	8,928	90	8	2
207	NOTRE DAME	32,352	95	3	2
209	DILDO RUN	4,804	56	27	17
211	BEOTHUCK	17,900	89	8	3
213	JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	2,064	91	5	4
214	MARY MARCH	560	77	13	10
218	CATAMARAN	8,420	90	7	3
	EASTERN TOTAL	112,504	91	6	3
301	INDIAN RIVER	5,440	78	14	8
303	FLATWATER POND	2,028	79	11	10
304	SQUIRES MEMORIAL	16,872	94	4	2
305	SOP'S ARM	1,840	92	3	5
307	RIVER OF PONDS	8,920	63	20	17
309	PISTOLET BAY	4,952	40	32	28
310	PINWARE RIVER	2,080	31	28	41
311	DULEY LAKE	3,376	96	2	2
	CENTRAL TOTAL	45,508	77	12	11
401	BLOW ME DOWN	3,100	39	32	29
403	BLUE PONDS	7,320	75	19	6
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	3,804	64	20	16
407	BARACHOIS POND	20,356	86	10	4
408	CRABBES RIVER	3,596	70	18	12
409	GRAND CODROY	12,160	38	37	25
411	MUMMICHOG	1,904	38	40	22
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	11,144	42	38	20
414	SANDBANKS	796	87	6	7
	WESTERN TOTAL	64,180	62	24	14
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL	374,760	86	9	5

TABLE 7

SUMMARY OF UNITS REGISTERED

MAP REF	PARK NAME	TOTAL UNITS REGISTERED	REGULAR * CAMPING %	SENIOR CAMPING %
102	LA MANCHE	1,676	96	4
104	BUTTER POT	10,577	93	7
105	GUSHUE'S POND	9,421	63	37
109	HOLYROOD POND	192	80	20
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	2,539	73	27
112	BACKSIDE POND	3,394	68	32
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	1,485	96	4
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	2,106	77	23
116	JACK'S POND	4,293	55	45
117	FRESHWATER POND	597	88	12
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	729	78	22
121	LOCKSTON PATH	1,133	79	21
	AVALON TOTAL	38,142	76	24
201	SQUARE POND	6,729	57	43
202	DAVID SMALLWOOD	630	58	42
203	WINDMILL BIGHT	2,010	57	43
205	JONATHAN'S POND	2,232	84	16
207	NOTRE DAME	8,088	76	24
209	DILDO RUN	1,201	88	12
211	BEOTHUCK	4,475	83	17
213	JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	516	74	26
214	MARY MARCH	140	91	9
218	CATAMARAN	2,105	72	28
	EASTERN TOTAL	28,126	72	28
301	INDIAN RIVER	1,360	72	28
303	FLATWATER POND	507	86	14
304	SQUIRE'S MEMORIAL	4,218	81	19
305	SOP'S ARM	460	83	17
307	RIVER OF PONDS	2,230	85	15
309	PISTOLET BAY	1,238	91	9
310	PINWARE RIVER	520	92	8
311	DULEY LAKE	844	100	0
	CENTRAL TOTAL	11,377	84	16
401	BLOW ME DOWN	775	96	4
403	BLUE PONDS	1,830	88	12
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	951	90	10
407	BARACHOIS POND	5,089	95	5
408	CRABBE'S RIVER	899	81	19
409	GRAND CODROY	3,040	91	9
411	MUMMICHOG	476	99	1
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	2,786	94	6
414	SANDBANKS	199	96	4
	WESTERN TOTAL	16,045	92	8
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL	93,690	79	21

* Regular includes residents under 65 and all non-residents.

TABLE 8

CAMPSITE OCCUPANCY RATES

MAP REF	PARK NAME	NUMBER OF CAMPSITES	CAMPSITE OCCUPANCY RATE % SEASONAL %	JULY/AUG %	WEEKEND %
102	LA MANCHE	70	20	24	44
104	BUTTER POT	149	61	51	77
105	GUSHUES POND	112	72	80	92
109	HOLYROOD POND	15	16	17	26
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	24	92	113	150
112	BACKSIDE POND	51	58	69	90
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	42	31	44	65
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	77	24	30	41
116	JACK'S POND	74	50	97	59
117	FRESHWATER POND	30	25	28	42
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	81	8	9	14
121	LOCKSTON PATH	20	71	79	100
	AVALON TOTAL	745	45	52	65
201	SQUARE POND	93	62	88	56
202	DAVID SMALLWOOD	27	29	34	33
203	WINDMILL BIGHT	29	87	106	98
205	JONATHANS POND	96	29	33	37
207	NOTRE DAME	100	69	93	91
209	DILDO RUN	31	48	56	63
211	BEOTHUCK	63	61	93	71
213	JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	21	28	30	36
214	MARY MARCH	26	7	7	9
218	CATAMARAN	57	32	46	42
	EASTERN TOTAL	543	51	66	60
301	INDIAN RIVER	49	35	41	40
302	BAIE VERTE	0	0	0	0
303	FLATWATER POND	25	25	29	34
304	SQUIRES MEMORIAL	159	28	27	34
305	SOP'S ARM	25	23	23	26
307	RIVER OF PONDS	40	70	81	72
309	PISTOLET BAY	27	57	68	53
310	PINWARE RIVER	15	37	51	37
311	DULEY LAKE	100	7	8	10
	CENTRAL TOTAL	440	28	32	32
401	BLOW ME DOWN	27	36	41	47
403	BLUE PONDS	61	38	42	56
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	50	24	25	38
407	BARACHOIS POND	158	28	39	43
408	CRABBES RIVER	32	30	32	43
409	GRAND CODROY	50	53	83	59
411	MUMMICHOG	38	16	18	18
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	102	34	39	39
414	SANDBANKS	8	26	32	34
	WESTERN TOTAL	526	32	40	44
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL	2,254	41	49	53

TABLE 9

CAMPING EQUIPMENT UTILIZED

MAP REF	PARK NAME	TOTAL UNITS REGISTERED	CAMPING EQUIPMENT UTILIZED				
			TENTS %	CAMPER TRAILERS %	TRAVEL TRAILERS %	CAMPER TRUCKS %	CAMPER COACHES %
102	LA MANCHE	1,676	41	13	24	10	12
104	BUTTER POT	10,577	14	23	46	4	13
105	GUSHUES POND	9,421	6	9	68	8	8
109	HOLYROOD POND	192	38	5	10	16	31
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	2,539	15	10	47	7	21
112	BACKSIDE POND	3,394	9	12	48	13	18
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	1,485	58	9	11	6	16
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	2,106	26	21	31	8	14
116	JACK'S POND	4,293	8	11	39	19	23
117	FRESHWATER POND	597	33	28	21	7	11
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	729	22	23	28	12	15
121	LOCKSTON PATH	1,133	26	30	19	12	13
	AVALON TOTAL	38,142	15	16	46	9	14
201	SQUARE POND	6,729	7	15	54	10	14
202	DAVID SMALLWOOD	630	17	14	24	20	25
203	WINDMILL BIGHT	2,010	14	19	32	17	18
205	JONATHANS POND	2,232	21	21	32	11	15
207	NOTRE DAME	8,088	10	18	48	9	15
209	DILDO RUN	1,201	31	10	17	16	26
211	BEOTHUCK	4,475	19	22	33	12	14
213	JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	516	19	37	26	11	7
214	MARY MARCH	140	39	29	9	13	10
218	CATAMARAN	2,105	14	30	27	13	16
	EASTERN TOTAL	28,126	14	19	40	11	16
301	INDIAN RIVER	1,360	21	16	26	14	23
303	FLATWATER POND	507	31	24	20	13	12
304	SQUIRES MEMORIAL	4,218	11	14	49	14	12
305	SOP'S ARM	460	11	22	43	13	11
307	RIVER OF PONDS	2,230	23	15	23	13	26
309	PISTOLET BAY	1,238	42	10	7	10	31
310	PINWARE RIVER	520	43	9	9	10	29
311	DULEY LAKE	844	2	13	78	3	4
	CENTRAL TOTAL	11,377	20	15	35	12	18
401	BLOW ME DOWN	775	46	9	8	10	27
403	BLUE PONDS	1,830	33	19	19	13	16
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	951	49	13	19	10	9
407	BARACHOIS POND	5,089	23	28	31	8	10
408	CRABBES RIVER	899	24	18	26	14	18
409	GRAND CODROY	3,040	13	17	22	15	33
411	MUMMICHOG	476	33	11	28	9	19
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	2,786	35	14	18	15	18
414	SANDBANKS	199	67	9	3	14	7
	WESTERN TOTAL	16,045	28	19	23	12	18
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL	93,690	18	17	39	10	16

FIGURE 2 NEWFOUNDLAND ORIGIN ZONES

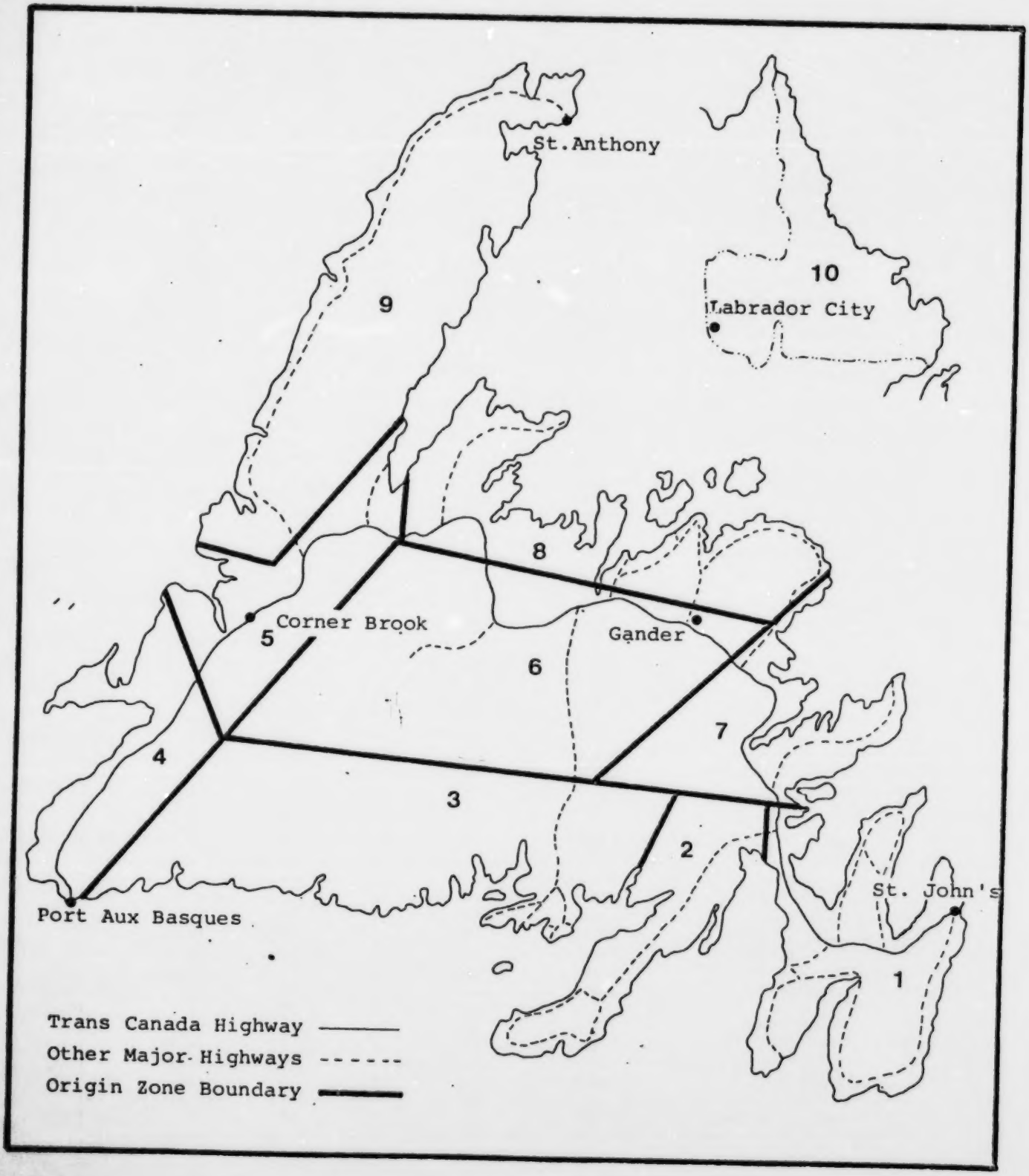

TABLE 10
ORIGIN OF RESIDENT* PARK CAMPERS 1987

ZONE NUMBER	ORIGIN ZONE DESCRIPTION	CAMPER NIGHT ORIGINS %		
		# CAMPER NIGHTS	% OF NFLD TOTAL	% OF GRAND TOTAL **
1	Avalon Peninsula	165,084	51	44
2	Burin Peninsula	9,136	3	3
3	South Coast	11,420	4	3
4	Stephenville area	15,304	5	4
5	Corner Brook area	29,212	9	8
6	Grand Falls area	35,000	11	9
7	Bonavista Bay	22,860	7	6
8	Notre Dame Bay	25,160	8	7
9	Northern Peninsula	2,928	1	1
10	Labrador	4,620	1	1
	RESIDENT TOTALS	320,724	100	86

* Resident - Individual with permanent residence in Newfoundland and Labrador

** Grand Total - 374,760

FIGURE 3 NON-NEWFOUNDLAND ORIGIN ZONES

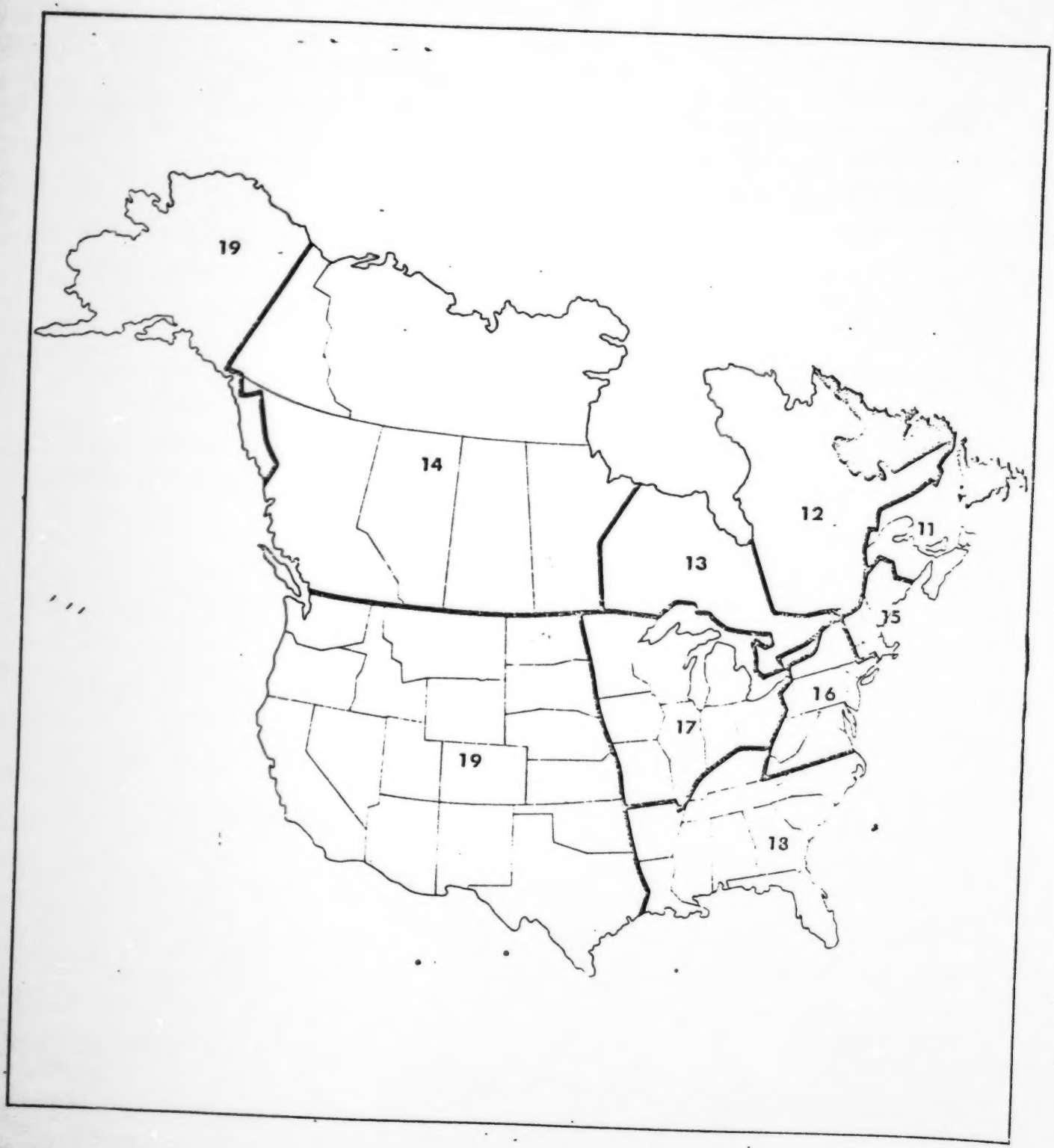

TABLE 11

ORIGIN OF NON-RESIDENT CAMPERS 1987

ZONE NUMBER	ORIGIN ZONE DESCRIPTION	CAMPER NIGHT ORIGINS %		
		# CAMPER NIGHTS	% NON-RES TOTAL	% GRAND TOTAL *
11	Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia New Brunswick	10,964	20	3
12	Quebec	3,476	7	1
13	Ontario	13,928	26	4
14	Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta British Columbia, Yukon, Northwest Territories	5,028	9	1
	CANADIAN TOTALS	33,396	62	9
15	Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island	5,588	10	1
16	New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia	5,236	10	1
17	Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana	2,608	5	1
18	North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky	3,608	7	1
19	Washington, Oregon, California, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Wyoming, Colorado, Texas, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Alaska	2,816	5	1
20	All other Foreign	784	1	0.2
	FOREIGN TOTAL	20,640	38	5
	TOTAL NON-RESIDENT	54,036	100	14

* GRAND TOTAL - 374,760

TABLE 12

SEASONAL VEHICLE ENTRY PERMITS SUMMARY

MAP REF	PARK NAME	TOTAL SEASONAL PERMITS	REGULAR *	SENIOR CITIZEN	ORIGIN OF TOTAL SEASONAL PERMITS: NFLD %	OTHER CAN %	U.S. & FOREIGN %
102	LA MANCHE	564	460	104	95	2	3
103	COCHRANE POND	351	301	50	99	1	0
104	BUTTER POT	1,217	1,111	106	97	2	1
105	GUSHUES POND	748	558	190	98.8	0.7	0.5
109	HOLYROOD POND	44	30	14	84	5	11
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	434	337	97	96	2	2
112	BACKSIDE POND	655	451	204	98.5	1	0.5
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	616	438	178	98	1	1
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	556	454	102	96	3	1
116	JACK'S POND	666	502	164	98	1	1
117	FRESHWATER POND	386	328	58	99	1	0
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	211	159	52	97.6	1.9	0.5
121	LOCKSTON PATH	229	154	75	97	3	0
128	MARINE DRIVE	333	275	58	99	1	0
	AVALON TOTAL	7,010	5,558	1,452	97	2	1
201	SQUARE POND	673	499	174	98.7	1.2	0.1
202	DAVID SMALLWOOD	113	80	33	95	2	3
203	WINDMILL BIGHT	503	375	128	97	2	1
205	JONATHANS POND	511	442	69	96.7	2.9	0.4
207	NOTRE DAME	1,128	893	235	98.6	1	0.4
209	DILDO RUN	178	130	48	90	7	3
211	BEOTHUCK	1,106	884	222	97.5	2	0.5
213	JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	88	71	17	98	2	0
214	MARY MARCH	40	27	13	98	0	2
218	CATAMARAN	347	238	109	96	3	1
	EASTERN TOTAL	4,687	3,639	1,048	97	2	1
301	INDIAN RIVER	170	118	52	92	4	4
303	FLATWATER POND	146	119	27	97	2	1
304	SQUIRES MEMORIAL	558	464	94	96	2	2
305	SOP'S ARM	85	66	19	94	1	5
307	RIVER OF PONDS	315	260	55	90	8	2
309	PISTOLET BAY	98	84	14	79	12	9
310	PINWARE RIVER	106	94	12	76	14	10
311	DULEY LAKE	90	89	1	93	6	1
	CENTRAL TOTAL	1,568	1,294	274	92	5	3
401	BLOW ME DOWN	182	133	49	77	12	11
403	BLUE PONDS	237	194	43	84	13	3
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	186	164	22	80	13	7
407	BARACHOIS POND	819	752	67	85	10	5
408	CRABBES RIVER	206	179	27	69	17	14
409	GRAND CODROY	637	582	55	46	30	24
411	MUMMICHOG	160	154	6	34	40	26
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	699	661	38	39	35	26
414	SANDBANKS	376	364	12	97.6	2.1	0.3
	WESTERN TOTAL	3,502	3,183	319	66	20	14
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL	16,767	13,674	3,093	90	6	4

* Regular includes residents under 65 and all non-residents.

TABLE 13

DAILY VEHICLE ENTRY PERMITS SUMMARY

MAP REF	PARK NAME	TOTAL DAILY PERMITS	ORIGIN		
			NFLD %	OTHER CAN %	U.S. & FOREIGN %
102	LA MANCHE	1,600	91	5	3
103	COCHRANE POND	1,586	98	1.9	0.1
104	BUTTER POT	3,029	95	4	1
105	GUSHUES POND	1,432	95	4	1
109	HOLYROOD POND	149	85	8	7
111	FITZGERALD'S POND	875	90	7	3
112	BACKSIDE POND	1,005	95	4	1
114	NORTHERN BAY SANDS	2,034	93	6	1
115	BELLEVUE BEACH	1,254	87	9	4
116	JACK'S POND	770	87	10	3
117	FRESHWATER POND	796	97	2	1
118	FRENCHMAN'S COVE	410	93	6	1
121	LOCKSTON PATH	654	93	5	2
128	MARINE DRIVE	1,674	98.1	1.4	0.5
	AVALON TOTAL	17,268	94	5	1
201	SQUARE POND	800	88	10	2
202	DAVID SMALLWOOD	187	81	15	4
203	WINDMILL BIGHT	891	90	8	2
205	JONATHANS POND	1,540	90	8	2
207	NOTRE DAME	1,936	87	11	2
209	DILDO RUN	635	70	21	9
211	BEOTHUCK	2,097	87	11	2
213	JIPUJIJKUEI KUESPEM	188	99	1	0
214	MARY MARCH	67	78	19	3
218	CATAMARAN	581	76	19	5
	EASTERN TOTAL	8,862	86	11	3
301	INDIAN RIVER	421	65	26	9
303	FLATWATER POND	582	91	7	2
304	SQUIRES MEMORIAL	1,156	82	12	6
305	SOP'S ARM	54	78	18	4
307	RIVER OF PONDS	805	64	23	14
309	PISTOLET BAY	684	60	24	16
310	PINWARE RIVER	249	44	29	27
311	DULEY LAKE	316	86	12	2
	CENTRAL TOTAL	4,267	73	18	9
401	BLOW ME DOWN	714	67	25	8
403	BLUE PONDS	771	72	22	6
405	PICCADILLY HEAD	503	70	22	8
407	BARACHOIS POND	1,465	77	18	5
408	CRABBES RIVER	349	47	36	17
409	GRAND CODROY	1,217	23	49	28
411	MUMMICHOG	145	30	49	21
412	J.T. CHEESEMAN	1,076	22	55	23
414	SANDBANKS	457	84	14	2
	WESTERN TOTAL	6,697	54	32	14
	PROVINCIAL TOTAL	37,094	82	13	5

PARK INFORMATION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The aim of the park information and education programs is to heighten visitors' awareness of the natural and cultural history of the parks and their surroundings. This is achieved through a variety of recreational and educational programs. By participating in the many programs offered, people discover, first-hand, their relationship with nature. Once visitors understand that they are part of a vast and delicate system, they are generally stimulated to be concerned about their environment.

An increase in the amount of leisure time has also contributed to the importance of Interpretation. Recreation time is made more productive and entertaining when interpretive facilities, such as the Logging Exhibit at Beothuck Park, the three Amphitheatres at Squires, Notre Dame and Butter Pot Park, the Activity Centre at Barachois, and more than seventy on-site exhibits are utilized. Campfire programs, guided walks, roving naturalist and nature craft programs are a few of the many events which enlighten the camping experience of our park visitors. During the past eight summers an effort has been made to expose the park visitor to the work of the Park Interpretation Section by holding a Park Interpretation Week, with a special theme each year.

Another program of the section is the production and publication of books and pamphlets on Newfoundland's flora, fauna, geology and ecology. At the present time, 22 publications are printed and widely distributed to the public.

Table 14 provides a summary of the Interpretive programs conducted in five parks during 1987. These parks were: Barachois, Sir Richard Squires, Beothuck, Notre Dame and Butter Pot.

TABLE 14

SUMMARY OF INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS AND ATTENDANCE 1987

	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	AVERAGE PARTICIPANTS PER PROGRAM	AGE DISTRIBUTION (PERCENTAGE)		
				CHILD	YOUTH	ADULT
AMPHITHEATRE PROGRAM	93	6,648	71	47%	13%	40%
CAMPFIRE PROGRAM	88	7,152	81	47%	9%	44%
GUIDED WALKS	55	604	11	49%	10%	41%
NATURE CRAFTS	59	1,335	23	76%	13%	11%
SPORTS AND GAMES	69	1,620	23	69%	21%	10%
ROVING NATURALIST	117	11,501	98	-	-	-
OTHER CONTACTS *	32	1,377	43	-	-	-
LOGGING EXHIBIT	-	12,102	-	-	-	-

* Other Contacts include: Scavenger Hunts, Tug-of-War, Sports Day, Water Balloon Toss, Relay Races, Face Painting, Puppet Shows, Treasure Hunt, Youth Challenge, Nature Detective, Axe Throwing, Story Time, Sand Sculptering and Bus Tours (Barachois Pond only).

The Logging Exhibit in Beothuck Park was open June 15th to September 7th, 10 a.m. to 7:45 p.m. Other interpretive programs were conducted in four parks: Barachois Pond, Butter Pot, Notre Dame and Squire's Memorial.

TABLE 15

PROVINCIAL PARK USAGE, 1960 - 1987

YEAR	NUMBER OF PARKS	TOTAL CAMPSITES	TOTAL PICNIC SITES	TOTAL VISITORS	TOTAL CAMPER NIGHTS
1960	13	200	210	216,121	15,956
1961	17	309	270	357,803	62,592
1962	18	350	295	377,293	58,928
1963	18	437	362	511,832	52,904
1964	19	476	418	611,373	67,316
1965	19	508	455	594,658	62,236
1966	29	708	655	815,984	60,716
1967	31	727	784	1,140,685	84,916
1968	33	875	853	1,021,954	103,172
1969	35	959	903	1,192,050	120,704
1970	35	973	903	1,184,105	148,132
1971	36	1,256	972	1,602,178	176,504
1972	47	1,335	1,077	1,753,156	206,720
1973	49	1,465	1,230	1,879,349	248,064
1974	51	1,485	1,430	2,249,336	319,536
1975	54	1,817	1,526	2,709,902	417,892
1976	66	1,841	1,596	2,907,905	455,388
1977	66	1,937	1,581	2,985,312	444,660
1978	66	2,176	1,590	2,828,095	480,616
1979	69	2,227	1,604	2,837,257	497,032
1980	71	2,227	1,604	2,409,898	408,616
1981	73	2,234	1,644	2,377,593	415,944
1982	77	2,242	1,644	2,145,701	383,856
1983	77	2,272	1,644	1,661,014	312,208
1984	77	2,322	1,659	1,720,369	314,526
1985	77	2,322	1,659	1,461,778	303,064
1986	76	2,316	1,659	1,446,066	286,652
1987	76	2,309	1,659	1,617,342	374,760
TOTAL				44,616,109	6,883,612

TABLE 16

SUMMARY AND COMPARISON OF 1986 AND 1987

STATISTICS

	1986 **	1987	% CHANGE
1. VISITORS	1,446,066	1,617,342	12
RESIDENTS	1,309,627	1,429,811	9
NON-RESIDENTS	136,439	187,531	37
2. CAMPING			
CAMPER NIGHTS	286,652	374,760	31
RESIDENTS	246,280	320,724	30
NON-RESIDENTS	40,372	54,036	34
CAMPING UNITS REGISTERED	71,663	93,690	31
* REGULAR (NIGHTLY, WEEKLY AND SEASONAL)	57,679	73,683	28
NFLD. SENIOR CITIZEN	13,984	20,007	43
CAMPING OCCUPANCY RATES			
SEASONAL	34	41	7
JULY-AUGUST	40	49	9
WEEKEND	49	53	4
CAMPING EQUIPMENT	71,663	93,690	31
TENTS	12,914	16,490	28
CAMPER TRAILERS	15,488	16,073	4
TRAVEL TRAILERS	24,960	36,725	47
CAMPER TRUCKS	7,861	9,802	25
CAMPER COACHES	10,440	14,600	40
3. SEASONAL V.E. PERMITS	14,234	16,767	18
RESIDENT	12,950	15,136	17
NON-RESIDENT	1,284	1,631	27
* REGULAR	11,602	13,674	18
NFLD. SENIOR CITIZEN	2,632	3,093	18
4. DAILY V.E. PERMITS	31,627	37,094	17
* RESIDENT	26,085	30,556	17
NON-RESIDENT	5,542	6,538	18
5. BOAT HIRE PERMITS	214	214	0
RESIDENT	199	213	7
NON-RESIDENT	15	1	-93

* Regular includes all residents under 65 and all non-residents.

** Figures have been adjusted to accommodate seasonal camping program piloted in 1986.